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Re: **U.S. Patent Application Entitled "PROCESS FOR PHASE TRANSFER OF HYDROPHOBIC NANOPARTICLES" -- Kumar et al.**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a disclosure including a title page, a 38 page specification, 2 pages of claims (Claims 1-11), and a one page abstract. The disclosure constitutes the application of Ashavani Kumar, Anita Subhash Swami and Murali Sastry for the above-entitled invention.

Please note that this application is filed without an inventor Declaration and filing fees. Applicant requests the Patent and Trademark Office to accept this application and accord a serial number and filing date as of the date this application is deposited with the U.S. Postal Service for Express Mail. Further, the Applicant requests that the NOTICE OF MISSING PARTS-FILING DATE GRANTED be sent to the undersigned Applicant representative.

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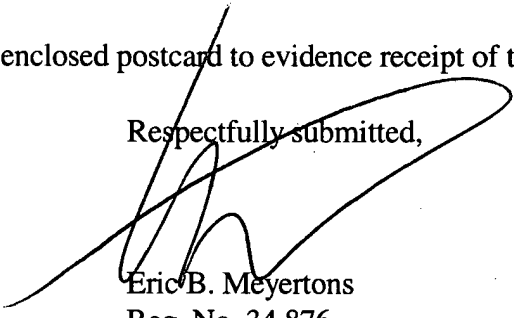
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